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THE WEATHER.

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WITH THE SPELL-BINDERS.

Soon the season of the spell-binders will be upon the country and the roar of the politico-champion will drown the rest of the mouthings wherewith the people are afflicted; of course the spell-binder always belongs to the other party; we don't stand for any megaphonic flap-doodle ourselves; we don't need it; our leader, our program, our policies, our people, all are beyond the pale of such raw appenages.

There will be a good four months of the deluge—and then the people will go quietly to the polls and vote as they always do at presidential elections, for the party candidate. And let it be understood that our party, our candidate, and all he stands for, is progress, and the perpetuity thereof.

We don't know yet who is to be lined up against Mr. Taft; but it makes no difference; whosoever it shall be is destined to defeat; that goes without saying, for to saying anything else were treason; and treason, Republican treason, in Oregon, for instance, is an unknown quantity, saying nothing of its quality. With 35,000 Republican majority to deliver to Mr. Taft on the 3rd of November next, there is nothing to worry us up in this far-away corner nor to worry Mr. Taft either, unless it be the raw absurdity of Governor Chamberlain's election; and that was balked and stalled as long ago as last January, in Portland. So we need no spell-binders nor the lure thereof. It's all right in Oregon, or will be in November!

A "CANNY CHIEL."

"There's a chiel amang ye, takin' notes." He is working out the problem of the value of the stumpage of the country. He works systematically, scientifically, and his deductions will be essentially reliable, whether they be of practical value, or not. Dr. Hawley, of the forestry service, with his laboratory establish at the Clatsop mills, is reducing the whole available list of by-products of the Oregon fir-stump to an analytical basis and computation that will astonish the good folks when the demonstrations are announced, whether they shall pay or not. It is a clever proposition, whatever the outcome, and shows that the Government is endeavoring to do something of practical and compensatory nature. Everybody is hoping the doctor's ascertainment may be of the richest residual value; and if disappointment follows, it will not be his fault, nor Uncle Sam's, nor ours, but simply old Nature's; and she was never bluffed yet.

SHERMAN, (?).

James S. Sherman, a native of New York city; representative in Congress from New York state, with a residence at Utica, a lawyer, a Republican, 54 years of age, a graduate of Hamilton College, has been overwhelmingly nominated for the Vice-Presidency of the country. This is the sum of our knowledge, at this writing. What he has done to win out in such a huge proposition as a Presidential nomination, aside from having been born where he was, in quite beyond us. We are taking altogether for granted, with the rest of Republican America, and letting it go at that.

We are not able to say what strength he adds to the Taft ticket; we can guess, alright; but so can the most of our readers; and our guess is worth no more than theirs. Until we know more, we respectfully refrain from criticizing Mr. Sherman, his sponsors, his nomination, or

GEORGIA HARPER IN FINE PLAY

THEATRE FILLED AT OPENING LAST NIGHT AND EVERYONE WENT AWAY PLEASED WITH SHOW.

Among all the rich classics of the stage the story of "Nell Gwynne" stands pre-eminently fascinating; a never-failing source of delight to the romancist and the historian alike. It has lived, vivid, enthralling, absorbing through generations almost without number, and is, today, as sparkling, exciting and interesting as when it was first presented to an English public.

No better vehicle could have been chosen by the Georgia Harper Company for their initial scheme of entertainment in this city on Sunday night last, for, by it, they have made swarms of friends and admirers.

Miss Georgia Harper as Nell Gwynne was a refreshing source of charm to the Astoria public, which needed just some such enlivening and unusual presentation to restore their somewhat jaded sense of amusement. She has evidently made a profound study of the play and her particular part in it, for she gave the wide range of detail, from the pretty fruit girl of the streets, to the darling of the most romantic court in all of England's history, with an ease and



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grace and precision rarely met with, and made an instant and pronounced success.

She was ably and conscientiously supported by a thoroughly balanced caste, in which Joseph Detrich, as Charles II, the "Merry Monarch," gave a spirited and delightful idea of the regal sportsman and gallant, and brought back to many a forgetful mind the splendid and thrilling story of the debonaire prince and king. Glenn Harper, as Lord Rochester, the king's favorite was strong and interesting character and added indubitably to the success of the evening. The part of Sir Francis Jeffreys, the great jurist of that day, fell to Melvin Mayo and was thoroughly well disposed of; as was the graceful, and superficial character of Lovelace, taken by Huron Blyden. Geo. B. Berrell, an old Astoria favorite, was warmly welcomed, in his work as Percival, the strolling player, and went to the good as usual. Paul McReynolds was decidedly interesting and made a true and telling "Fairfax"; while Jack McDonald's Captain Lacy, was genuinely appreciated.

C. H. Herman made an excellent Rollins, and James C. Davis was happily responsible for the clever showing made by the Royal Guardsman, Clavering, while the aldermanic honors were carried off by E. L. Wilson. Miss Leota Howard, as the Duchess of Portsmouth, the shrewd and unscrupulous aristocrat was true to life and the line that make for some of the surprises of the famous old play. Miss Frances Williamson, as Lady Castlemain, and Miss Evelyn Green, as Lady Olivia Vernon, were excellent and dispensed the courtly persiflage of their parts with ease and success.

The whole affair was admirably handled and put the troupe on certain footing that will become more friendly as the engagement progresses.

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The Ashton Stock Company gave a very good presentation of the far-fact melo-drama, "The Sheriff." Miss Lily Branscombe as Kate Dawson was very good and won her way into the hearts of the Astoria theatre-goers.

Miss Hilda Graham as Recci gave an example of her ability as an emotional actress. Miss Stewart as Bridget kept the audience in good humor during the show. She is the best character woman that has been here in some time. Mr. Ashton as the "Sheriff" was the recipient of much applause while Mr. George Mortimer who was the parson, showed some fine acting. Mr. Laurence as Elijah Carlson and Mr. Bernhard as "Ike" and Mr. Walte Wistrand as Rastus are also actors of good ability and altogether it is a strong company and well deserved the shower of flowers which were heaped upon them at last night performance.

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